

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

David B. Kay

Examiner: Julian W. Woo

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For:

OPEN HELICAL ORGANIC TISSUE ANCHOR AND METHOD OF

FACILITATING HEALING

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER PROVISION OF 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time such that the period for response will expire on January 27, 2004. Applicant requests the time extension for the express purpose of filing a RESPONSE TO SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW dated December 12, 2003, and the same is enclosed herewith.

A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed for the statutory fee for a small entity to respond within two months of the statutory deadline. Please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 08-3150 for any fee insufficiency or excess.

Favorable action hereon is believed to be in order and the same is earnestly and respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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